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Agenda **Sustainable Environment Advisory Committee (SEAC)** St. Joseph, MO

Wednesday, January 26, 2022, 3:30 PM

This will be a Zoom meeting set up through the City of St. Joseph. Zoom connection available in First Floor conference room, City Hall

Kim Schutte is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SEAC

Time: Jan 26, 2022 03:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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Welcome and Call to order by Diane Waddell, moderator.

Thanks to Dr. Kim Schutte, staff liaison, for setting up the Zoom call.

Acknowledge October Minutes

Roll call by check-in

Statement of purpose in recognition that we are a part of the Mayor's Climate Network

This committee comes from a "Network of Climate Mayors Resolution" dated 8/24/18 which states: Resolved, That the City of Saint Joseph continue to expand on innovative environmental programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

Goals: Rethink, Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Plant and nurture trees and native plants

Decrease single-use plastics

Encourage and support businesses which model environmental sustainability

Seek to reduce pollution of our water resources

Promote sustainable stewardship of historic buildings including adaptive reuse

Encourage the City of St. Joseph and all residences, businesses and other organizations to improve energy efficiency to decrease greenhouse gas emissions.

Continuing committee and community reports

(1) Green Businesses — #Greener St. Joe — Subcommittee

Members: LuAnn Cadden, Sara Markt, Jan Storts. Diane Waddell)

Purposes:

A. Promote green business practices, focusing on local small businesses, particularly downtown businesses with coordination through Main Street

Downtown

B. Host Earth Day Green Business Awards, April 22, Convention and Visitors Bureau, April 22, 3:30 - 4:30, with room available between 3 and 5 PM.

- (2) Greenway Proposal (currently on hold and referred to Brady McKinley Public Works)
- (3) Tree Projects, Prairie Restoration and Native Plantings
 - A. Prairie Restoration MWSU Prairie dedicated to Dr. John Rushin
 - B. Tree updates (also reporting from the Tree Board) Martha Clark

- C. Plant Native St. Joe!
 - 1. Report of January 24 meeting
 - 2. Next meeting February 28 at 1 PM per Zoom
 - 3. Members and stakeholders (See addendum 1)
 - 4. GOALS
 - a. Encourage native plantings in businesses, schools, public areas such as parks, parkway, and home landscapes
 - b. Educate residents of the many benefits of native plants and trees
 - c. Work toward making St. Joseph a destination for visitors for Native Plantings
 - d. Include native plants, shrubs, trees and pollinator plants
- (4) (Super Science Saturday.) Ja. 30, 2022. SEAC will defer due to Covid concerns. We thank Dr. Barta and Dr. Drake for their dedication
- (5) Coordinating efforts with St. Joseph businesses Pat Dillon, Chief Government and Community Relations Officer, Mosaic Life Care

Continuing City Partnership and Committee Reports

(1) Mayors for Clean Energy (Ready for 100 Campaign): GEO Team (Green Energy Opportunity Team

A. A sub-task force of GEO, the Resolution Committee, is made of Dr. Dawn Drake, Andrea Cole, Whitney Lanning and Diane Waddell. This committee will coordinate with city officials, to further the work of the GEO resolution.

B. "A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING PRACTICES BY THE CITY OF ST. JOSEPH AND BY ALL RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES, AND OTHER ORGANIZATION TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE EMISSIONS."

- (2) Historic Preservation Dr. Kim Schutte
- (3) Water Protection Stormwater subcommittee, Katie Bruegge, Colleen Armstrong
- (4) Litter Committee updates and coordination

Social Media/Education

Monthly focus for Facebook/City Highlights: 2021 Facebook monthly themes:

Feb Clean Energy Focus (Dr. Drake)

March Native Plants (LuAnn)

April Earth Day (Green Small Business Awards with #GreenerStJoe)

Balanced approaches to agriculture and energy (Jeff Powelson)

May Historic Preservation (Dr. Schutte)

June Continued historic preservation (Landmark Commission - Report from Roger Martin)

July Sustainable urban planning/architecture (Sara Markt)

August Trees (Dr. Barta)

September Pollinators (Jeff Powelson)

October Sustainable energy technologies (Dr. Drake)

November Water Conservation (Katie Bruegge)

December - review of 2021

January 2022 - Green Business promotion

Other New Business and Public Comment

Next meeting: Feb 23, 3:30 Zoom